

27 October 1959

MEMORANDUM FOR: Director of Central Intelligence

SUBJECT : Participation in a Young Citizens Day with Senator Lyndon B. Johnson (D., Texas)

1. This memorandum contains a recommendation submitted for DCI approval. Such recommendation is contained in paragraph 3.

2. Annually, Senator Johnson holds a Citizen's Day for young people winding up with a barbecue at his ranch at Johnson City, Texas which is approximately 50-60 miles from Austin, Texas. This year some of the speakers include Bishop Sheen, Secretary of the Air Force Douglas and Administrator of NASA, Keith Glennan. I have been informed that Senator Johnson's aides have suggested your name as an additional speaker. Normally, the speeches would be 15 to 20 minutes.

3. As I presently understand it, the arrangements would include arriving at the Johnson ranch on Saturday, 31 October and the speeches would be given on 1 November with departure later in the day. Senator Johnson's office here has requested that they be advised if you would be available. I would strongly recommend that you authorize me to notify them in the affirmative. [Redacted]

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Legislative Counsel

The recommendation in paragraph 3 is approved:

ALLEN W. DULLES
Director

Date

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Phone conversation with Kenneth BeLieu - Senator Johnson's office

Mr. BeLieu said that he had rather a belated thing - although it came up last night. Senator J. is down in Texas. He is holding a Civic Leadership type program for about 300 or so in civic improvement - next Sunday, November 1. He is having a group down to talk about responsibilities in government - probably Secretary Douglas, T. Keith Glennan; Sam Rayburn, Senator Dodd, Arthur Godfrey. He asked me last night if I would extend to you an invitation to come to Austin. Secy. Douglas would be going down in his plane and I think I could assure you of transportation, but I would have to check with him first.

We would probably start at 9:00 - at 3:00 the group will gather and go out to his ranch for a barbecue, spend the night and come back on Monday morning, leaving here Sunday morning. It could be that Secy Douglas would pick us up Saturday evening, but I have an idea that he wants to see that Army - Air Force football game. I will know later. We could get back sometime Monday afternoon, with perhaps a noon departure, or earlier.

The DCI said that he would like very much to do it. He had a Cornerstone Ceremony on Tuesday and would have to be back for that.

Mr. BeLieu said that it would be strictly non-partisan; they agreed that impromptu speeches are the best, and that the DCI would not have a prepared speech; it would be open to the press.

DCI inquired what age would be present - Junior Chamber of Commerce, - Mr. BeLieu said he thought the age would range from 19 - 21. Sen. Johnson has done this type of thing quite often.

DCI said Mr. BeLieu could tell them in Texas that he would try to do it and he would let Mr. BeLieu know definitely later this morning; Code 180 - x 2248 or the Democratic Policy Committee - x 5551.

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Mr. Dulles:

Mr. Bryce Harlow called this afternoon shortly after you had left the office (3:45 PM), and asked if you had spoken to Senator Lyndon Johnson. I told him you had not, but that you had spoken with Mr. BeLieu of Mr. Johnson's office. He then said he now has an answer to your query of him, and will be glad to speak to you tomorrow morning. I told him I would tell you of his call, and that you would most likely call him on your return.

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